

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

Regulations

In accordance with the Allegheny County Health Department, the immunization guidelines for students are listed below. Enrollment requirements include documentation of completed age/grade appropriate immunizations. New students will not be permitted to register without completed immunizations.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania - Enrollment of Students

24 P.S. §13-1301 – §13-1306 Issued July 1, 2007

School Regulations - Approved by Allegheny County Board of Health, September 5, 2007 and by Allegheny County Council July 1, 2008.

Acceptable documentation includes either:

- The child's immunization record from the Primary Care Provider.
- A written statement from the former school district or from a medical office that the required immunizations have been administered, or that a required series is in progress.

Immunization Requirements below are reflective of 47 Pa.B. 1300, Amending 28 PA. Code Ch. 23, March 4, 2017:

- 4 doses Tetanus, Diphtheria, and acellular Pertussis (1 dose on or after the 4th birthday)
- 4 doses Polio (1 dose on or after 4th birthday, and 6 months after previous dose given)
- 2 doses Measles
- 2 doses Mumps
- 2 doses Rubella
- 3 doses Hepatitis B
- 2 doses Varicella - **or a written statement from physician/designee indicating month and year of disease or serologic proof of immunity

In addition to the requirements listed above, students in grades 7-12 are required to have the immunizations listed below. Please note that **7th grade students** will not be permitted to start their 7th grade school year without completion of the Tdap and the 1st dose of MCV. **Twelfth grade students** will not be permitted to start their 12th grade school year without completion of the 2nd dose of the MCV.

- 1 dose Tetanus/diphtheria/pertussis (Tdap)
- 2 doses Meningitis vaccine (MCV)

Documentation of lead testing is required for students entering kindergarten (effective January 1, 2018 - Article XXIII - Allegheny County Health Department).

Exemptions to Immunization Regulations

Medical exemption - when the physical condition of the child is such that immunization would endanger life or health (requires physician's signature).

Religious exemption – when the parent/guardian adheres to a religious belief whose teachings are opposed to such immunizations (requires parent/guardian signature).